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EDITORIALS

THE FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AT DEL MONTE—TO BE HELD ON APRIL 28-MAY 1, 1930

The Program of This Fifty-Ninth Annual Session.—In this issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE is printed the program of this year's annual session of the California Medical Association. This is the fifty-ninth year in which the California Medical Association may be said to have provided means for its members to meet in conference to discuss the various scientific and other problems of organized medicine, and through personal contacts with one another to fit themselves to return to their work with renewed strength and enthusiasm.

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Members of the California Medical Association Should Plan to Attend This Del Monte Session.—Recent annual sessions of the California Medical Association have seemingly given members of the organization who attended the meetings a more than adequate return for the time and expense involved in such attendance. This year's session at Del Monte, while lacking somewhat in the generous hospitality which is usually extended by component county units of larger size, is nevertheless in one of California's most charming settings. All who have attended annual sessions at Del Monte in the years gone by will desire to again renew their acquaintance with this region and its alluring scenery, and with our colleagues

of that district. Members who have not had that pleasure should make a special effort to attend this session, which will begin on Monday, April 28, and adjourn on Thursday, May 1.

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The Scientific, Social and Business Features of the Session.—A perusal of the scientific program as found in this issue will indicate how many are the interesting and important scientific topics which will come up for consideration and discussion, in the general and special sections. Our guest speakers are prominent colleagues from different sections of the country and our California essayists are also well known fellow practitioners.

The scenic charm and the hotel environment of Del Monte foretell also the best of fellowship, reunions and of social contacts.

What with meetings of the scientific assemblies and of scenic drives and walks and golf and dances in the way of social diversion, and of important business problems up for consideration by the House of Delegates, it may be taken for granted that the five days and their hours will flit by with amazing rapidity for all who can stay throughout the session.

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Pre-Convention Bulletin and Standing Committees.—This will be the first annual session to be held under the provisions of the revised constitution and by-laws. For the members of the House of Delegates, the *Pre-Convention Bulletin*, containing abstracts of reports of officers and standing committees, will make its first appearance. It is believed that members of the House, through this new medium, will be able to get a better orientation of the problems which will come up for their consideration.

The House of Delegates will also have its first experience with an official speaker. That plan should work out as advantageously in California as it does in the national association.

It is important for members of the standing committees to meet and organize and to discuss the problems which their respective groups are expected to investigate. The Del Monte session will make such conferences possible. The co-operation of additional colleagues, which can be secured through the appointment of two to ten advisory members to each committee, as provided in the constitution and by-laws, might likewise be one of the matters to which the members of standing committees could give consideration in their conferences.

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The Woman's Auxiliary of the California Medical Association.—The Woman's Auxiliary of the California Medical Association, which formed a tentative state organization at the last annual session at San Diego, will convene at Del Monte with at least a half dozen component county units represented. In passing, it is of interest to note that the newly formed auxiliary unit at Los Angeles, at the time of this writing reports a membership in excess of three hundred